

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 261
By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of George William Gregory
of Nashville, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of George William Gregory; and

WHEREAS, George Gregory was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gregory enjoyed a brilliant career as a Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) Officer; he served in this important position for a meritorious twenty-nine years, earning the respect of his peers, superiors and sportsmen alike for the exemplary quality of his work and his stalwart dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, a native of Davidson County, Mr. Gregory graduated from Castle Heights Military Academy in 1970 and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Zoology with a minor in Chemistry from Florida Atlantic University in 1977 before he returned to his hometown of Nashville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, he worked as a Park Ranger for the Tennessee Department of Conservation from 1976 to 1977 as the Project Administrator for the Hatchie Scenic River Program; and

WHEREAS, George Gregory was appointed to the TWRA in 1977 as a Wildlife Officer for Robertson County and served there until 1982, when he transferred to Hickman County where he served faithfully until his passing; and

WHEREAS, an avid outdoorsman and woodcrafter, George Gregory lent his time and energy in teaching over 9,000 students in the TWRA Hunter's Safety Program; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable leader showcased his exceptional talents as an instrumental force in the beginning and growth of the Christian Game Wardens Support Group, which is now recognized as a national organization; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gregory was an active and devout member of the Centerville Church of Christ, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, George Gregory was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, George Gregory enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Jean Amonette Gregory, and will be missed by his parents, Graham Warren and Christian Nevitt Gregory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gregory is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law Glenn and Denise Gregory, his sister Catherine Cooper, and three nephews and a niece; and

WHEREAS, George Gregory leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of George William Gregory, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction, even as we pay tribute to his sterling legacy as a TWRA Wildlife Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. George William Gregory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.